

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Patent Application of:

Hiroaki Torii et al.

Application No.: 10/583,600

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Art Unit: 1631

For: METHOD OF IDENTIFYING PROTEIN  
WITH THE USE OF MASS  
SPECTROMETRY

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Examiner: J. Lin

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R.  
1.111

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated May 26, 2010, please reconsider the above-identified U.S. patent application amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 49 of this paper.

## FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

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## CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST

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